

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 582 - SB 484

March 26, 2021

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes the Department of Health (DOH), the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (DMHSAS), and the Division of TennCare (Division) to provide certain educational materials in electronic format.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005536): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires the Commissioner of DOH to include in the report on the restrictions and limitations on treating patients with opioids, an analysis of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on: (1) the lawful, prescribed usage of opioids in the state; (2) the unlawful diversion of opioids in this state; (3) the ability of the DOH to collect data to determine the impacts and effects of the restrictions and limitations on treating patients with opioids; and (4) whether the impacts and effects that were sought to be achieved through implementation of those restrictions and limitations are achievable by July 1, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 63-1-164(f), the Commissioner of DOH is required to study and analyze the impact and effects of the restrictions and limitations on treating patients with opioids and submit a report by November 1, 2021 to the Governor, the Health and Welfare Committee of the Senate, and the Health Committee of the House of Representatives.
- Expanding the report to include the required analysis on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on treating patients with opioids will have no significant impact on the DOH; therefore, no fiscal impact to state government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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